

# **Exhibit E**

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Date: Fri, 14 Nov 2003 13:59:41 -0500

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I am also in favor of redemption. This is becoming, in the words of Charly Block, a member of the "who needs it" category. Unless one of you can give a compelling reason to stay I will ask Nat to withdraw the funds next week.

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Committee members,

I share the concern at Meritage about the HCH investment.

In Nat's note, I am most worried about the new information in the statement from the ex-Madoff trader to the effect that "Madoff cherry-picks trades and 'takes them for the hedge fund'." We at Renaissance have totally independent evidence that Madoff's executions are highly unusual.

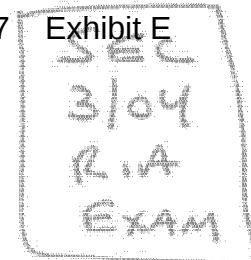
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In all, I very much agree with the sentiment "It's high season on money managers, and Madoff's head would look pretty good above Elliot Spitzer's mantle. I propose that unless we can figure out a way to get comfortable with the regulatory tail risk in a hurry, we get out. The risk-reward on this bet is not in our favor."

A last quote, from Jim, I believe: "If you are going to panic, panic early."

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